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Re: Inventor: Ayako KOBAYASHI
Serial No: 10/723,603
Filed: November 26, 2003
For: IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS THAT CHECKS HARDWARE
RESOURCES BEFORE ACTIVATING HARDWARE-RELATED
PROGRAMS

SIR:

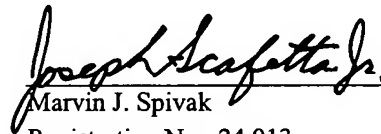
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Notice to File Missing Parts
Filing of Declaration/Declaration
Filing of Supplemental Application Data Sheet
Supplemental Application Data Sheet

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Respectfully Submitted,

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FILING OF DECLARATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(f)

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Responsive to the notification dated December 1, 2004, and in accordance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.53(f),
Applicants submit herewith a Rule 63 Declaration.

The required fee was paid at the time of filing the application.

In light of the foregoing, this application is deemed to be in proper condition for examination and such favorable
action is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully Submitted,

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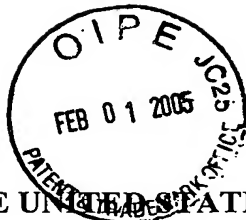
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FILING OF SUPPLEMENTAL APPLICATION DATA SHEET

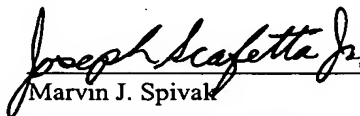
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The attached Supplemental Application Data Sheet is submitted herewith to correct the mailing address of the inventor.

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